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## AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 9, line 25, with the following rewritten paragraph:

-- As a rubber material is vulcanized and molded integrally with the main shaft member 1 and the outer cylinder member 2, the rubber elastic body 3 is interposed between the main shaft member 1 and the outer cylinder member 2 and is formed in a substantially cylindrical shape. As this rubber elastic body 3 is vulcanized and bonded to the outer peripheral surface of the main shaft member 1 (including the inner end face of the flange portion 12) and to the inner peripheral surface of the outer cylinder member 2, the rubber elastic body 3 integrally connects the two members. In portions of this rubber elastic body 3 which are located on the outer sides of the respective block portions 14, the pair of hollow portions 31 are provided which are open in an end face away from the flange portion 12 and extend in the axial direction up to a vicinity of an end face on the flange portion 12 side. Each of these hollow portions 31 is formed in such a manner as to extend up to a position slightly short of the flange portion 12-side end face of each block portion 14, and to surround each block 14. As shown in Fig. 2, the hollow portions 31 extend up to a position substantially near an end surface of the outer cylinder member 2 to surround the block portion 14 on a radial outer peripheral surface and a circumferential side surface thereof. --